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	Males	Females	Persons		Building Work Approved	New Dwellings in Houses and Flats Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	£ thousand	Number
Year : 1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1944-45	536.0	247.9	783.9	4,721	n.a.	n.a.
1945-46	618.5	242.3	860.8	4,980	n.a.	5,500†
1946-47	671.8	252.1	923.9	5,851	48,925‡	12,344‡
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,970	53,440	15,415
1948-49	705.5	263.8	969.3	8,105	66,146	18,758
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	8,989	83,981	19,841
1950: April	737.0	277.5	1,014.5	9,713	5,586	4,955
May	740.7	279.6	1,020.3		10,085	
June	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	9,989	8,103	4,995
July	740.4	279.0	1,019.4		8,785	
Aug.	742.8	279.6	1,022.4	11,182	8,968	5,983
Sept.	744.9	281.7	1,026.6		9,236	
Oct.	746.2	285.7	1,031.9	n.y.a.	10,285	4,610
Nov.	748.3	289.2	1,037.5		9,663	
Dec.	751.4	289.8	1,041.2	n.y.a.	7,541	
1951: Jan.	752.1	284.9	1,037.0		8,498	4,610
Feb.	754.4	288.3	1,042.7	n.y.a.	9,377	
March	752.2r	288.8r	1,041.0		12,927	4,610
April	755.9	290.2	1,046.1		10,467	
May	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		11,920	

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		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year : 1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1944-45	22,622§	112.8	60.8	225.2	83.4	198.2
1945-46	23,276‡	86.1	76.4	237.2	90.6	236.2
1946-47	32,910	93.0	116.5	244.3	116.5	231.4
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1950: April	532	15.7	16.2	393.0	156.6	253.5
May	9,161	25.8	27.3	388.9	155.9	253.7
June	9,061	19.8	14.2	394.0	166.2	258.9
July	561	21.1	15.9	369.0	170.3	260.0
Aug.	8,047	25.4	13.2	386.8	169.7	259.0
Sept.	17,833	24.7	13.3	388.7	170.9	259.7
Oct.	27,230	21.4	30.6	406.5	175.8	259.3
Nov.	32,643	22.3	32.7	423.7	183.5	259.0
Dec.	9,696	18.8	28.1	438.0	190.9	260.1
1951: Jan.	37,013	26.2	34.3	443.4	183.7	261.7
Feb.	37,081	26.7	27.8	461.5	193.1	264.4
March	20,524	23.4	33.2	489.7	200.0	278.7
April	16,752	27.1	44.8	494.4	191.4	279.4
May	14,732	32.4	29.4	490.4	190.3	279.8
June	6,094	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

\* See notes to relevant table.

† Houses only.

‡ Partly estimated.

§ Includes equalisation payments.

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N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	
186.7	14,679	28,335	11,196**	1,948	1,168†	1938-39: Year
254.1	17,793	2,785	11,096	2,877	1,346†	1944-45
267.4	15,872	3,814	10,030	2,832	1,054†	1945-46
261.6	16,539	13,608	11,212	3,229	1,312†	1946-47
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343†	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,758	1,266	1949-50
23.5	1,277	5,020	910	322	105	April: 1950
24.1	1,601	8,270	1,246	372	114	May
21.2	1,298	7,358	977	380	124	June
22.8	1,371	6,672	1,042	385	104	July
22.0	1,596	7,264	1,229	381	125	Aug.
22.4	1,528	7,231	1,152	355	136	Sept.
22.9	1,524	7,002	1,203	353	133	Oct.
21.5	1,632	7,583	1,211	348	131	Nov.
21.7	1,364	6,053	980	334	118	Dec.
23.4	1,171	5,028	552r	329	93	Jan.: 1951
20.9	1,235	5,996	870	318	97	Feb.
22.6	1,283	5,474	1,007	351	107	March
24.1	1,424	5,926	1,124r	357	129	April
22.5	1,563	6,453	1,156	368	117	May

42.	44.	45.	50.	52.	53.	Table No.
Bank Clearings, Sydney	Sydney Stock Exchange	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : "C" Series All Items (Sydney) Index *	Basic Wage, Sydney	Period
Index *	Share Values				Adult Males *	
Average 1926-30 = 100	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100	Average 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	
99	175.6	35,272	101	928	81	1938-39: Year
157	192.2	23,350	141	1142	99	1944-45
171	210.2	35,660	141	1151	99	1945-46
214	240.0	57,899	143	1182	109	1946-47
248	262.6	60,202	159	1259	114	1947-48
298	258.2	62,229	181	1378	124	1948-49
356	270.0	125,952	205	1504	135	1949-50
391	292.6	11,211	222	1564	135	April: 1950
402	293.4	17,212	221		138	May
402	293.6	15,129	223		138	June
402	289.1	15,240	223		138	July
398	296.9	15,021	227††	1613	142	Aug.
393	306.4	15,813	228††		142	Sept.
413	312.1	13,941	232††		142	Oct.
442	334.8	13,240	237††	1630	146	Nov.
474	334.9	15,623	237††		165	Dec.
481	346.9	17,300	243††	1749	165	Jan.: 1951
493	349.3	15,778	253††		173	Feb.
508	350.3	14,979	268††		173	March
546	356.1	14,735	261††		173	April
555	365.7	21,697	n.y.a.	1875	180	May
575	366.6	18,944	n.y.a.		180	June

\* Year ended 31st May. || Operative from February. \*\* Year ended 31st December, 1939. †† See Table 50.

## 2. Population, Births, Deaths, Marriages and Migration, New South Wales

Period	Population at end of Period			Live Births	Deaths	Net Immigration	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons				
	Number						
Year : 1939	1,393,358	1,373,057	2,766,415	48,003	26,815	8,044*	25,471
1947	1,504,350	1,503,232	3,007,582	69,398	28,449	4,277*	30,172
1948	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	67,234	30,403	17,931	30,164
1949	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	68,812	29,364	74,143	28,757
1950	1,649,486	1,628,550	3,278,036	71,592	30,955	61,464	30,036
1949 : Mar. Qr.	1,545,909	1,540,471	3,086,380	16,397	6,392	14,031	7,484
June Qr.	1,561,592	1,552,067	3,113,659	16,974	7,476	17,781	7,404
Sept. Qr.	1,574,988	1,564,163	3,139,151	18,267	8,542	15,767	6,121
Dec. Qr.	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	17,174	6,954	26,564	7,748
1950 : Mar. Qr.	1,610,106	1,593,872	3,203,978	17,888	6,661	16,816	7,940
June Qr.	1,621,456	1,603,786	3,225,242	17,715	7,482	11,031	7,636
Sept. Qr.	1,631,713	1,612,884	3,244,597	18,123	9,612	10,844	6,513
Dec. Qr.	1,649,486	1,628,550	3,278,036	17,866	7,200	22,773	7,947
1951 : Mar. Qr.	1,664,128	1,641,367	3,305,495	18,070	6,828	16,217	7,822

\* Includes intercensal adjustment.

Population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) was 1,294,080 at 31st December, 1940, and 1,584,830 at 31st December, 1950.

### EMPLOYMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES

(1) The following estimates are based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities. (2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month. (3) Workers in rural industry, female domestics in private households, and persons on the paid strength of the defence forces are excluded.

### 3. Wage and Salary Earners in Employment

(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestics in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
	Thousands								
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943 : July	156.9	46.1	203.0	365.2	207.7	572.9	522.1	253.8	775.9
1945 : Aug.	155.6	42.8	198.4	386.4	205.3	591.7	542.0	248.1	790.1
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : June†	195.4	36.0	231.4	510.1	227.8	737.9	705.5	263.8	969.3
1950 : June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
1949 : Dec.	200.0	38.2	238.2	526.9	240.1	767.0	726.9	278.3	1,005.2
1950 : Jan.	200.0	38.1	238.1	529.6	235.1	764.7	729.6	273.2	1,002.8
Feb.	200.5	38.5	239.0	534.6	237.6	772.2	735.1	276.1	1,011.2
Mar.	201.8	38.7	240.5	534.9	240.0	774.9	736.7	278.7	1,015.4
Apr.	202.5	38.5	241.0	534.5	239.0	773.5	737.0	277.5	1,014.5
1950 : Dec.	205.8	39.7	245.5	545.6	250.1	795.7	751.4	289.8	1,041.2
1951 : Jan.	206.3	40.6	246.9	545.8	244.3	790.1	752.1	284.9	1,037.0
Feb.	206.8	41.3	248.1	547.6	247.0	794.6	754.4	288.3	1,042.7
Mar.	206.9	41.1	248.0	545.3r	247.7r	793.0	752.7r	288.8r	1,041.0
Apr.	208.0	41.3	249.3	547.9	248.9	796.8	755.9	290.2	1,046.1

\* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities. † Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions. See note (2) above.



**4. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups\***  
(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestic in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Con- struction	Transport and Com- munication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡
Thousands								
MALES								
1939: July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	44.0	56.6
1943: July	25.1	217.8	30.1	79.9	10.5	22.9	28.7	39.6
1945: Aug.	24.9	216.9	32.3	86.7	11.4	24.9	30.5	46.5
1946: June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1
1947: June	26.6	252.1	55.7	102.8	18.8	37.6	46.4	62.4
1948: June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7
1949: June§	24.4	257.4	64.5	110.9	20.4	42.1	50.1	66.1
1950: June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2	45.2	50.3	67.2
1949: Dec.	28.2	268.0	64.6	111.4	20.6	43.6	52.8	67.3
1950: Jan.	28.3	271.2	65.3	111.5	20.7	44.1	50.4	67.7
Feb.	28.5	273.8	65.9	112.3	20.8	45.2	50.3	67.8
Mar.	28.4	274.6	66.7	112.9	21.1	44.2	50.3	68.1
Apr.	28.2	274.2	67.0	114.0	21.1	44.5	50.4	67.4
1950: Dec.	28.6	278.4	70.1	114.7	21.4	46.7	54.3	67.4
1951: Jan.	28.6	280.4	70.5	114.7	21.5	47.1	51.2	67.8
Feb.	29.0	280.4	71.4	115.0	21.7	47.4	51.2	67.8
Mar.	28.9	279.3	71.6	114.0	21.7	47.5	51.0	67.6
Apr.	29.1	280.7	72.5	114.6	21.8	47.6	51.0	67.8
FEMALES								
1939: July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	36.0	49.1
1943: July	0.2	94.6	0.7	12.9	9.9	10.7	38.5	65.9
1945: Aug.	0.2	86.0	0.7	14.6	10.6	10.8	37.9	70.3
1946: June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3
1947: June	0.2	86.5	1.0	12.8	10.4	11.9	40.7	77.1
1948: June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6
1949: June§	0.3	88.7	1.2	14.7	11.7	13.4	42.7	80.9
1950: June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6	14.3	43.7	83.1
1949: Dec.	0.3	95.0	1.2	15.0	12.0	14.2	47.1	82.9
1950: Jan.	0.3	94.3	1.2	14.8	12.2	14.4	42.4	83.0
Feb.	0.3	96.4	1.3	15.0	12.5	14.4	42.2	83.4
Mar.	0.3	97.0	1.2	15.2	12.6	14.5	43.4	83.8
Apr.	0.3	96.7	1.3	15.2	12.4	14.3	43.4	83.3
1950: Dec.	0.3	99.2	1.4	15.7	13.0	15.4	50.2	83.6
1951: Jan.	0.3	97.7	1.4	15.9	13.2	15.6	45.8	84.0
Feb.	0.3	100.0	1.5	16.1	13.5	15.8	45.6	84.2
Mar.	0.3	99.8	1.5	16.0	13.7	16.2	45.6	84.4r
Apr.	0.3	101.0	1.5	16.1	13.8	15.9	45.7	84.6
PERSONS								
1939: July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	80.0	105.7
1943: July	25.3	312.4	30.8	92.8	20.4	33.6	67.2	105.5
1945: Aug.	25.1	302.9	33.0	101.3	22.0	35.7	68.3	116.8
1946: June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4
1947: June	26.8	338.6	56.7	115.6	29.2	49.5	87.1	139.5
1948: June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3
1949: June§	24.7	346.1	65.7	125.6	32.1	55.5	92.8	147.0
1950: June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8	59.5	94.0	150.3
1949: Dec.	28.5	363.0	65.8	126.4	32.6	57.8	99.9	150.2
1950: Jan.	28.6	365.5	66.5	126.3	32.9	58.5	92.8	150.7
Feb.	28.8	370.2	67.2	127.3	33.3	59.6	92.5	151.2
Mar.	28.7	371.6	67.9	128.1	33.7	58.7	93.7	151.9
Apr.	28.5	370.9	68.3	129.2	33.5	58.8	93.8	150.7
1950: Dec.	28.9	377.6	71.5	130.4	34.4	62.1	104.5	151.0
1951: Jan.	28.9	378.1	71.9	130.6	34.7	62.7	97.0	151.8
Feb.	29.3	380.4	72.9	131.1	35.2	63.2	96.8	152.0
Mar.	29.2	379.1	73.1	130.0	35.4	63.7	96.6	152.0r
Apr.	29.4	381.7	74.0	130.7	35.6	63.5	96.7	152.4

\* See notes preceding Table 3. Miscellaneous groups (70,800 males, 11,300 females, 82,100 persons in April, 1951) are omitted from this table. † From July, 1949, subject to revision. ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services. § Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

# 5. Employees in N.S.W. Factories: By Classes of Industry\*

(Excludes working proprietors)

	I, II	III	IV	VI	VIII	IX	X, XI	XII	V, VII, XIII—XVI	I—XVI
Classes	Bricks, Cement, Glass, etc.	Chemicals, Oils, Paints, etc.	Metals, Machines, Vehicles, etc.	Textiles and Knitted Goods	Clothing and Footwear	Food, Drink, Tobacco	Sawmills, Woodworking, Furniture, etc.	Paper, Printing, etc.	Other	All Factories
Month	Thousands									
MALES										
1939 : June	11.8	5.2	75.9	5.6	6.9	17.5	13.4	11.3	12.1	159.7
1945 : June	9.1	8.3	124.2	6.8	7.3	20.4	14.3	9.9	14.5	214.8
1947 : June	14.2	9.7	131.5	9.8	10.9	23.2	18.5	14.3	20.0	252.1
1948 : June	14.8	10.7	137.4	10.1	11.2	24.4	20.7	14.6	21.3	265.2
1949 : June†	14.7	11.3	130.6	9.3	11.1	24.8	19.9	14.9	20.8	257.4
1950 : June	16.8	11.6	143.5	9.6	11.4	25.6	21.0	15.5	22.2	277.2
1950 : Feb.	16.2	11.6	140.0	9.9	11.7	26.3	21.1	15.2	21.8	273.8
Mar.	16.6	11.7	140.4	9.8	11.5	26.3	21.1	15.2	22.0	274.6
Apr.	16.5	11.6	140.9	9.7	11.5	25.7	21.0	15.3	22.0	274.2
1951 : Feb.	17.0	12.1	145.2	9.8	11.5	26.8	20.8	15.6	21.6	280.4
Mar.	17.1	12.1	145.0	9.8	11.4	26.2	20.7	15.3	21.7	279.3
Apr.	17.1	12.1	145.7	9.8	11.5	26.2	20.9	15.7	21.7	280.7
FEMALES										
1939 : June	0.4	2.7	4.9	9.2	22.8	9.4	1.6	5.3	3.6	59.9
1945 : June	0.8	4.0	21.2	11.5	25.9	11.2	1.6	5.7	5.0	86.9
1947 : June	0.7	4.4	13.6	11.4	31.9	10.6	1.9	6.1	5.9	86.5
1948 : June	0.8	4.4	14.5	11.7	33.6	10.7	2.0	6.1	6.4	90.2
1949 : June†	0.9	4.3	14.6	11.1	32.6	10.7	2.2	6.0	6.3	88.7
1950 : June	1.1	4.7	18.0	12.9	33.3	11.3	2.4	6.6	6.9	97.2
1950 : Feb.	1.0	4.6	16.7	12.7	33.4	12.5	2.3	6.5	6.7	96.4
Mar.	1.1	4.6	17.3	12.7	33.7	11.9	2.4	6.5	6.8	97.0
Apr.	1.1	4.6	17.6	12.7	33.5	11.6	2.3	6.4	6.9	96.7
1951 : Feb.	1.1	4.8	18.7	13.3	33.7	12.4	2.4	6.9	6.7	100.0
Mar.	1.1	4.8	18.8	13.2	33.9	12.0	2.4	6.9	6.7	99.8
Apr.	1.1	4.8	19.2	13.4	34.4	12.0	2.4	6.9	6.8	101.0
PERSONS										
1939 : June	12.2	7.9	80.8	14.8	29.7	26.9	15.0	16.6	15.7	219.6
1945 : June	9.9	12.3	145.4	18.3	33.2	31.6	15.9	15.6	19.5	301.7
1947 : June	14.9	14.1	145.1	21.2	42.8	33.8	20.4	20.4	25.9	338.6
1948 : June	15.6	15.1	151.9	21.8	44.8	35.1	22.7	20.7	27.7	355.4
1949 : June†	15.6	15.6	145.2	20.4	43.7	35.5	22.1	20.9	27.1	346.1
1950 : June	17.9	16.3	161.5	22.5	44.7	36.9	23.4	22.1	29.1	374.4
1950 : Feb.	17.2	16.2	156.7	22.6	45.1	38.8	23.4	21.7	28.5	370.2
Mar.	17.7	16.3	157.7	22.5	45.2	38.2	23.5	21.7	28.8	371.6
Apr.	17.6	16.2	158.5	22.4	45.0	37.3	23.3	21.7	28.9	370.9
1951 : Feb.	18.1	16.9	163.9	23.1	45.2	39.2	23.2	22.5	28.3	380.4
Mar.	18.2	16.9	163.8	23.0	45.3	38.2	23.1	22.2	28.4	379.1
Apr.	18.2	16.9	164.9	23.2	45.9	38.2	23.3	22.6	28.5	381.7

\* See notes preceding Table 3; figures from July, 1949, subject to revision. † Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

## 6. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.\*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit.†			
	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.
	£ thousand				£			
1944-45	4,642	4,819	4,589	4,835	6.67	6.89	6.54	6.86
1945-46	4,809	4,910	4,817	5,384	6.73	6.90	6.35	6.76
1946-47	5,495	5,949	5,713	6,246	6.69	7.09	6.72	7.23
1947-48	6,480	7,229	6,753	7,419	7.40	8.15	7.58	8.25
1948-49	7,759	8,436	7,730	8,493	8.58	9.24	8.41	9.24
1949-50	7,982	9,394	8,864	9,713	9.01	10.06	9.40	10.23
1950-51	9,989	11,182			10.46	11.58		

\* Includes Australian Capital Territory. † Total wages paid divided by total employment expressed in male units (i.e., total male employment plus 45 per cent. of total female employment).

## 7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*

Period	Unemployment Beneficiaries on last Saturday in Period	Benefits Paid during Period			
		Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
	Number	Amount—£			
Year : 1945-46	1,298	275,205	198,943	1,068	475,216
1946-47	1,400	172,141	258,782	6,772	437,695
1947-48	339	60,499	302,987	14,434	377,920
1948-49	283	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50	335	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1950-51	n.y.a.	25,324	296,418	50,303	372,045
1950 : June	335	908	32,845	12,557	46,310
July	513	1,021	17,474	5,602	24,097
August	250	3,240	33,534	5,255	42,029
September	227p	2,534	28,287	5,140	35,961
October	252p	1,492	22,995	4,008	28,495
November	150p	2,085	28,472	5,341	35,898
December	500p	1,178	25,239	4,189	30,606
1951 : January	200p	3,092r	21,270	2,987	27,349r
February	200p	2,431	24,730	2,036	29,197
March	400p	1,476	23,842	2,058	27,376
April	400p	2,259	22,512	2,302	27,073
May	n.y.a.	2,592	23,122	2,425	28,139
June	n.y.a.	1,924	24,941	8,960	35,825

\* Including Australian Capital Territory. † Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

## 8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare  
Monthly particulars are approximate.

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number	Thousands					
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1945	1,158	222	102	324	653	1,226	1,879
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950	1,694	138	221	359	326	293	619
1950 : May	165	20	8	28	30	11	41
June	96	16	8	24	35	5	40
July	92	9	7	16	16	15	31
August	123	17	8	25	28	36	64
September	158	20	7	27	31	33	64
October	158	19	58	77	32	79	111
November	126	15	41	56	21	87	108
December	46	7	18	25	8	9	17
1951 : January	41	27	34	61	31	42	73
February	112	66	5	71	72	22	94
March	119	40	11	51	44	22	66
April	94	26	1	27	29	8	37
May	147	33	16	49	46	40	86

## 9. Broadcast Listeners' Licenses in Force in N.S.W.

At end of Month	1939	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
March	427,964	573,205	616,114	702,890	721,625	733,391	750,986
April	428,848	576,218	618,385	710,944	714,659	735,237	752,018
May	431,149	575,144	663,518	693,550	709,694	740,812	751,872
June	433,029	575,864	679,505	699,259	706,452	748,268	753,758
September	432,795	585,985	698,312	704,106	724,031	743,003	
December	441,934	598,643	703,577	710,542	727,918	755,464	

# BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note.—1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.

3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.

4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

## 10. Value of Building\* Approved : Geographical Distribution

Period	Division of Cumberland			Balance of State	Total, N.S.W.
	Metropolis	Balance	Total		
	£ thousand				
PRIVATE BUILDING					
Year : 1946	18,070	6,831	24,901	11,123†	36,024†
1947	20,252	7,944	28,196	13,621	41,817
1948	22,595	10,745	33,340	16,103	49,443
1949	26,869	12,273	39,142	19,781	58,923
1950	37,215	17,916	55,131	26,987	82,118
1950 : Jan.-May	14,192	6,728	20,920	10,012	30,932
1951 : Jan.-May	20,576	8,756	29,332	15,892	45,224
1950 : Feb.	2,828	1,541	4,369	1,934	6,303
March	2,970	1,433	4,403	2,403	6,806
April	2,097	1,279	3,376	1,678	5,054
May	3,916	1,538	5,454	2,485	7,939
1951 : Feb.	3,494	1,416	4,910	2,386	7,296
March	4,451	1,833	6,284	5,079	11,363
April	4,073	1,974	6,047	3,038	9,085
May	5,306	2,070	7,376	3,411	10,787
GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	3,794	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6,445
1947	4,299	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7,322
1948	6,244	1,446	7,690	3,653	11,343
1949	7,550	1,574	9,124	5,120	14,244
1950	8,061	1,739	9,800	7,575	17,375
1950 : Jan.-May	2,803	596	3,399	2,581	5,980
1951 : Jan.-May	4,088	1,571	5,659	2,306	7,965
1950 : Feb.	557	60	617	380	997
March	476	262	738	637	1,375
April	359	58	417	115	532
May	995	106	1,101	1,045	2,146
1951 : Feb.	792	718	1,510	571	2,081
March	617	347	964	600	1,564
April	843	185	1,028	354	1,382
May	558	141	699	434	1,133
PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	21,864	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	42,469†
1947	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1950	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493
1950 : Jan.-May	16,995	7,324	24,319	12,593	36,912
1951 : Jan.-May	24,664	10,327	34,991	18,198	53,189
1950 : Feb.	3,385	1,601	4,986	2,314	7,300
March	3,446	1,695	5,141	3,040	8,181
April	2,456	1,337	3,793	1,793	5,586
May	4,911	1,644	6,555	3,530	10,085
1951 : Feb.	4,286	2,134	6,420	2,957	9,377
March	5,068	2,180	7,248	5,679	12,927
April	4,916	2,159	7,075	3,392	10,467
May	5,864	2,211	8,075	3,845	11,920

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

† Partly estimated.



## II. Value of Private and Governmental Building\* Approved: Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
	£ thousand						
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND (Including Metropolis)							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1950 : Jan.-May	18,583	1,635	13	392	1,721	1,975	24,319
1951 : Jan.-May	22,105	1,690	415	677	4,325	5,779	34,991
1950 : March	4,202	272	1	81	300	285	5,141
April	3,113	333	2	34	212	99	3,793
May	4,431	600	8	82	569	865	6,555
1951 : March	4,980	627	21	118	936	566	7,248
April	4,575	283	83	153	850	1,131	7,075
May	4,781	331	139	170	1,044	1,610	8,075
NEW SOUTH WALES							
Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1950 : Jan.-May	27,926	1,921	72	682	2,186	4,125	36,912
1951 : Jan.-May	33,598	2,014	678	1,195	7,002	8,702	53,189
1950 : March	6,396	357	40	153	391	844	8,181
April	4,696	353	8	72	243	214	5,586
May	6,909	653	9	184	643	1,687	10,085
1951 : March	7,698	708	61	177	3,026	1,257	12,927
April	6,727	374	117	270	1,274	1,705	10,467
May	7,507	372	259	315	1,124	2,343	11,920

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

## 12. New House and Flat Building: Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Government				Private and Government			
	Approved *	Com- menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom- pleted †	Approved ‡	Com- menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom- pleted †
HOUSES								
Year: 1947	3,166	3,418	2,462	3,990	27,850	18,873	13,191	17,386
1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276
1950	3,909	3,739	3,453	4,775	34,929	23,176	19,319	28,133
1949: Dec. Qr.	822	845	857	4,489	8,180	5,875	5,253	24,276
1950: Mar. Qr.	1,048	1,051	777	4,763	8,691	5,933	4,123	26,086
June Qr.	830	951	827	4,887	8,563	5,049	4,733	26,402
Sept. Qr.	1,094	881	915	4,853	9,210	6,136	4,775	27,763
Dec. Qr.	937	856	934	4,775	8,465	6,058	5,688	28,133
1951: Mar. Qr.	885	874	773	4,876	8,507	5,793	4,417	29,509
FLATS								
Year: 1947	350	160	9	204	1,399	712	365	703
1948	729	427	187	444	1,798	1,331	789	1,245
1949	639	630	285	789	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586
1950	505	815	335	1,269	1,869	1,559	969	2,176
1949: Dec. Qr.	273	60	127	789	589	285	337	1,586
1950: Mar. Qr.	178	105	69	825	546	293	232	1,647
June Qr.	94	326	64	1,087	533	536	222	1,961
Sept. Qr.	81	117	69	1,135	347	306	220	2,047
Dec. Qr.	152	267	133	1,269	443	424	295	2,176
1951: Mar. Qr.	74	65	38	1,296	403	253	193	2,236

\* Contracts let and day labour projects authorised. † At end of period. ‡ Local Government permits to build plus contracts let and day labour projects authorised by Governmental Authorities.

### 13. New South Wales Government Railways : Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Gross Revenue*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons	£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1946-47	261,644	16,539	30,353	25,836	4,467
1947-48	263,047	17,407	36,905	31,015	5,891
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,231	841
July-May:					
1949-50	237,014	14,593	36,323‡	34,782	1,541
1950-51	246,672	15,691	44,254	43,904	350
1950: March	21,431	1,543	3,789	3,408	381
April	23,523	1,277	3,342	3,183	159
May	24,131	1,601	3,932	3,645	287
1951: March	22,551	1,283	4,060	4,077	(—) 17
April	24,125	1,424	4,322	4,243	79
May	22,486	1,563	4,527	4,967	(—) 440

\* Excludes Government contribution, £800,000 annually, for developmental lines. † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included.

‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Railway freight charges were increased from 16th October, 1950, and passenger fares from 1st November, 1950.

### 14. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses : Finances

Period	Gross Revenue		Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses		
	£ thousand			
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707
1946-47	4,360	1,746	6,106	6,228
1947-48	5,310	2,544	7,854	7,895
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099‡	9,533
July-May:				
1949-50	4,440	3,942	8,382‡	8,747
1950-51	4,676	4,658	9,334	10,173
1950: March	428	371	799	826
April	427	386	813	817
May	394	375	769	819
1951: March	465	469	934	1,032
April	440	447	887	994
May	434	457	891	1,026

\* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£563,442 in year 1949-50).

‡ Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Fares on Government trams and buses were increased from 9th October, 1950.

### 15. Port of Sydney : Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
	Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)							
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1947-48	2,431	1,719	1,045	512	1,839	141	5,315	2,372
1948-49	2,693	2,162	1,009	535	1,658	115	5,350	2,812
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1950-51	3,851	1,521	892	541	1,781	135	6,524	2,196
1950: June Qr.	847	433	246	161	466	41	1,559	685
Sept. Qr.	951	394	214	148	464	32	1,629	574
Dec. Qr.	928	493	219	143	447	31	1,596	667
1951: Mar. Qr.	952	324	192	118	416	37	1,560	479
June Qr.	1,020	310	267	131	452	35	1,739	476

## 16. Motor Vehicles on the Register\* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omnibuses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1948 : June	210,506	2,594	3,545	127,413	344,058	30,076	18,317	4,959	397,410
1949 : June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1950 : June	269,250	3,254	3,735	159,226	435,465	42,461	24,840	7,738	510,504
1950 : Mar.	256,403	3,176	3,642	153,525	416,746	41,100	24,197	7,297	489,340
Apr.	259,436	3,195	3,657	155,048	421,336	41,594	24,368	7,418	494,716
May	264,753	3,220	3,676	157,211	428,860	42,130	24,661	7,564	503,215
1951 : Mar.	299,620	3,419	4,086	175,908	483,033	45,734	27,400	8,946	565,113
Apr.	302,277	3,430	4,093	177,794	487,594	46,209	27,538	9,102	570,443
May	305,741	3,400	4,106	179,871	493,118	46,624	27,788	9,227	576,757

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

## 17. New Motor Vehicles Registered\* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omnibuses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1946-47	7,998	7	116	5,487	13,608	2,850	3,204	19,662
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
July-May:								
1949-50	36,143	114	191	17,860	54,308	8,059	4,637	67,004
1950-51	43,477	309	74	26,822	70,682	8,228	5,078	83,988
1950 : March	4,417	17	17	2,070	6,521	890	415	7,826
April	3,348	12	12	1,648	5,020	690	292	6,002
May	5,763	12	22	2,473	8,270	884	478	9,632
1951 : March	3,158	26	2	2,288	5,474	891	388	6,753
April	3,466	19	4	2,437	5,926	966	382	7,274
May	3,840	24	5	2,584	6,453	837	460	7,750

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

## 18. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities and Vans				
	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
	Proportion per cent.				Number	Proportion per cent.				Number
Year: 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	...	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1946-47	...	53.2	46.8	...	7,998	...	19.3	80.7	...	5,487
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	...	18.3	81.7	...	9,079
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	...	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	...	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1949-50: July-May	11.7	77.5	7.9	2.9	36,143	...	71.4	28.1	0.5	17,860
1950-51: July-May	16.3	67.8	10.2	5.7	43,477	1.5	76.0	21.9	0.6	26,822
1950 : April	12.9	76.0	6.0	5.1	3,348	...	77.3	22.2	0.5	1,648
May	13.0	77.1	5.9	4.0	5,763	...	79.6	20.0	0.4	2,473
1951 : April	17.8	68.0	9.2	5.0	3,466	5.1	72.7	21.1	1.1	2,437
May	14.2	67.4	12.8	5.6	3,840	5.8	71.3	22.5	0.4	2,584

## 19. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1951 Dates)	1942	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
Thousand tons								
1st†	Jan. 27	731	519	859	539	513	714	442
2nd	Feb. 24	933	860	796	918	954	952	876
3rd	Mar. 24	981	913	833	869	929	932	888
4th	Apr. 21	886	859	804	964	908	925	1,052
5th	May 19	1,003	674	773	878	970	1,013	980p
6th	June 16	965	906	990	883	926	1,038	1,045p
7th	July 14	918	798	992	941	225	923	1,157p
8th	Aug. 11	953	846	995	984	109	961	
9th	Sept. 8	1,028	911	994	1,061	1,117	1,144	
10th	Oct. 6	984	975	979	1,024	1,100	1,051	
11th	Nov. 3	973	1,017	1,092	696	1,108	1,120	
12th	Dec. 1	965	976	1,130	1,134	1,182	1,093	
13th†	Dec. 29	886	932	446	830	695	932	
Year: Underground		12,150	10,430	10,724	10,466	9,388	11,197	
Open Cut ...		56	756	959	1,255	1,348	1,601	
Total ...		12,206	11,186	11,683	11,721	10,736	12,798	

## Twenty-eight Weeks ended—

	11th July	6th July	19th July	17th July	16th July	15th July	14th July
Northern District ...	4,368	3,748	4,060	3,913	3,472	4,255	4,108
Southern District* ...	1,190	922	990	1,059	953	1,167	1,217
Western District ...	859	859	997	1,020	1,000	1,075	1,115
Total: Underground	n.a.	5,184	5,567	5,357	4,770	5,730	5,442
Open Cut ...	n.a.	345	480	635	655	767	998
Total ...	6,417	5,529	6,047	5,992	5,425	6,497	6,440p

\* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts from 1942 to 1947.

† Miners' mid-summer holidays:	1942.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.
In 1st Period ...	Public holidays	2 weeks	...	1 week	2 weeks	{N-1 wk. S&W-2 wks.}	2 weeks
In 13th Period ...	only.	...	2 weeks	1 week	{N-2 wks. S&W-1 wk.}	1 week	

## 20. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
January	100	125	165	170	198	218	221	235
February	100	125	181	201	208	227	241	240
March	100	130	185	199	212	231	238	235
April	100	125	189	198	218	222	226	243
May	100	128	192	198	203	229	237	240
June	100	131	197	208	214	189	232	
July	100	134	195	212	199	118	214	
August	100	135	195	212	214	173	234	
September	100	134	201	214	223	228	236	
October	100	135	203	211	216	224	238	
November	100	136	200	214	226	239	246	
December	100	131	180	214	222	231	236	
Year	100	131	191	204	213	209	233	



## MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1949-50 are final, but all figures from July, 1950, are subject to revision.

## 21. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
	Thousand lb.						
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1946-47	60,385	4,544	38,302	35,310	51,936	27,408	25,958
1947-48	76,066	5,909	46,475	31,614	58,978	30,556	25,480
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	32,104	29,676	24,480
1949-50	82,469	6,333	51,215	28,879	34,549	31,748	32,265
1949-50 : July-May	79,160	6,138	49,579	26,785	31,980	31,213	31,152
1950-51 : July-May	74,654	6,590	43,200	25,903	26,018	31,350	25,198
1950 : March	9,302	618	4,944	2,090	3,278	15,467	4,925
April	6,270	446	3,053	2,294	2,644	808	1,697
May	4,947	308	2,325	2,080	3,452	913	945
1951 : March	7,383	612	3,801	2,250	2,912	11,967	4,267
April	5,079	304	2,411	2,177	2,191	2,856	3,053
May	3,149	157	2,789	2,605	2,900	799	1,858

Period	Flour	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Malt	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Bushels	Thous. lb.
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	82,706	n.a.	640,915	43,611
1946-47	537,389	98,231	124,334	152,515	158,589	608,650	47,512
1947-48	533,975	97,375	119,840	163,130	138,203	656,696	48,068
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	168,448	153,853	633,741	53,299
1949-50	577,482	98,478	133,294	164,729	154,645	603,615	60,789
1949-50 : July-May	524,526	90,016	122,053	143,240	143,464	564,008	54,892
1950-51 : July-May	613,313	103,511	134,847	142,309	169,062	597,501	61,824
1950 : March	40,499	6,958	9,371	18,205	18,233	54,064	7,185
April	38,795	6,660	8,742	18,601	12,096	53,191	4,687
May	57,344	9,508	12,127	26,685	17,334	57,514	5,970
1951 : March	54,952	9,342	12,085	12,313	15,946	62,064	6,156
April	55,357	9,577	12,229	17,648	14,173	61,239	5,762
May	60,550	10,078	12,466	23,232	15,394	64,161	5,821

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate	Other	
	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. :
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988	26,811	33,900
1946-47	9,206	21,570	5,278	28,460	35,169	50,550
1947-48	5,177	27,938	5,852	27,799	34,896	45,610
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	30,612	33,078	54,100
1949-50	8,457	38,242	7,540	29,827	31,307	54,700
1949-50 : July-May	8,255	34,477	7,245	26,961	28,619	49,560
1950-51 : July-May	3,943	31,690	7,292	25,243	29,267	57,240
1950 : March	1,175	3,568	721	2,928	3,248	5,550
April	246	3,032	518	2,942	2,089	4,617
May	268	3,726	4.8	3,279	3,081	5,500
1951 : March	704	2,610	849	2,088	2,728	5,162
April	754	3,137	558	2,397	2,818	5,196
May	552	3,361	532	2,761	3,032	5,562

\* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

## 22. Production of Metals, Coal, and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz.	Thousand tons				Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year : 1938-39	88,488	11,196*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1946-47	43,607	11,212	1,184†	926†	1,312†	16,744	3,229
1947-48	50,599	11,780	1,366†	1,030†	1,343†	18,093	3,546
1948-49	57,981	11,736	1,130	897	1,129	18,151	3,717
1949-50	47,288	11,290	1,164	1,002	1,266	17,846	3,758
1949-50 : July-May	43,449	10,313	1,043	902	1,142	16,162	3,378
1950-51 : July-May	38,903	11,526	1,366	1,064	1,292	17,784	3,879
1950 : March	6,915	1,095	90	79	112	1,536	349
April	1,142	910	111	85	105	1,519	322
May	5,308	1,246	99	88	114	1,728	372
1951 : March	4,240	1,007	115	93	107	1,577	351
April	4,921	1,124†	128	107	129	1,652	357
May	4,832	1,156	121	97	117	1,819	368

\* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

## 23. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies (Excl. Cabins and Conversions)	Pedal Cycles
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.		
Number						
Year : 1938-39	977	1,214	26,671*		5,425	36,416
1946-47	2,803	8,943	82,382*		2,719	30,259
1947-48	2,839	11,165	80,465*	25,533*	3,240	28,567
1948-49	2,343	16,666	184,290	32,338	4,341	27,605
1949-50	2,185	17,288	274,228	26,146	6,646	26,539
1949-50 : July-May	2,003	15,579	245,423	23,548	5,977	24,338
1950-51 : July-May	1,969	19,938	321,525	31,222	n.y.a.	24,820
1950 : March	202	1,946	26,356	2,719	669	2,395
April	155	1,442	22,763	2,222	592	1,784
May	172	1,852	29,380	3,283	673	2,444
1951 : March	152	1,829	30,602	2,974	764	1,768
April	157	1,864	30,098	2,898	796	1,855
May	210	2,023	35,208	3,400	n.y.a.	2,022

\* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

## 24. Production of Clothing

Period	Hosiery		Hats (Felt)	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers
	Women's, Maids' and Girls'	Other			Dress	Work*		
	Dozen pairs		Dozen		Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs	
Year : 1938-39	520,127	535,092	135,262	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
1946-47	301,363	284,562	142,781	87,564	16,562	119,560	7,201	3,041
1947-48	226,683	462,354	140,662	84,945	13,866	104,793	6,250	3,143
1948-49	188,834	411,453	147,498	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
1949-50	383,837	374,572	118,724	148,312	11,041	106,610	6,024	2,822
1949-50 : July-May	339,383	341,564	108,893	133,734	9,619	96,866	5,460	2,648
1950-51 : July-May	424,097	383,208	109,318	153,982	13,548	119,595	5,642	2,512
1950 : March	40,308	39,981	14,946	14,881	990	11,062	569	253
April	31,027	28,676	10,307	12,072	833	7,456	452	230
May	45,873	37,980	14,095	16,923	995	12,200	605	252
1951 : March	35,796	34,594	9,519	11,964	1,151	11,055	517	199
April	37,773	35,816	9,767	14,236	1,090	10,437	495	243
May	42,083	37,381	10,981	15,641	1,296	11,797	568	258

\* Excluding articles of rubber.

## 25. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native)	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.	Thousands		Thousand sq. yd.		Tons	
Year: 1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1946-47	300.9	249,533	19,523	230	9,657	3,397	393,397
1947-48	332.6	303,221	21,594	2,841	9,018	3,985	441,023
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,652	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50	341.1	300,356	22,124	8,362	8,634	4,171	554,966
1949-50 : July-April	288.9	243,459	18,379	6,672	7,007	3,337	434,543
1950-51 : July-April	272.1	282,702	18,229	8,862	8,151	4,081	503,215
1950 : February	24.8	27,366	2,141	857	888	385	45,505
March	24.3	32,621	2,228	840	812	411	54,594
April	25.7	24,708	1,698	835	816	360	47,698
1951 : February	27.0	28,061	1,974	867	829	413	53,080
March	20.2	27,173	1,868	843	861	419	48,404
April	30.5	30,413	1,967	1,005	842	432	52,660

Period	Oil Paint (Ready- Mixed)	Lacquers, Enamels, etc.	Stoves, Domestic Cooking				Gas Meters
			Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric		
					Stoves	Stovettes Excl. Cookers	
Thousand gal.		Number					
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930		24,619
1946-47	1,568	1,138	12,033	12,883	31,221		32,675
1947-48	1,762	1,404	11,748	14,627	8,942	n.a.	43,552
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	n.a.	44,249
1949-50	1,914	1,826	10,307	20,723	14,178	23,128	40,847
1949-50 : July-April	1,603	1,452	8,219	16,663	11,070	18,847	32,841
1950-51 : July-April	2,100	1,581	11,250	21,305	14,107	29,498	32,066
1950 : February	181	166	860	1,951	1,204	2,551	4,086
March	206	191	1,335	1,999	1,649	2,973	4,627
April	148	152	727	1,641	975	2,117	3,283
1951 : February	216	157	1,088	2,452	1,249	3,140	2,942
March	237	164	1,083	2,314	1,582	3,728	2,752
April	255	160	1,088	2,431	1,291	3,692	2,775

Period	Baths (All types)	Sinks	Bath Heaters			Coppers (complete)		
		Stainless Steel	Solid Fuel and Kerosene	Gas	Electric	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric
			Number					
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	n.a.	6,969	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1947-48	35,219	13,079	35,696	28,337	7,375	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948-49	45,646	12,867	35,201	22,414	6,301	58,969	24,256	14,121
1949-50	40,635	18,431	44,127	13,845	7,800	74,271	20,765	16,470
1949-50 : July-April	32,466	13,684	33,528	11,233	5,883	56,043	16,463	13,890
1950-51 : July-April	35,968	19,612	29,878	14,617	n.y.a.	81,533	19,715	15,351
1950 : February	3,189	1,428	3,700	1,277	626	7,199	2,000	1,782
March	4,125	2,001	4,049	1,579	573	7,577	1,650	2,186
April	3,230	1,636	1,986	1,186	666	5,959	1,669	1,086
1951 : February	3,184	2,047	2,222	1,400	762	7,556	2,089	1,619
March	3,061	1,696	1,190	1,608	719	8,038	2,095	1,891
April	3,388	1,805	5,114	1,569	n.y.d.	7,909	2,142	1,639

## 26. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators, Household		Wireless Cabinets	Perambulators
	Electric	Gas and Kerosene		
	Number			
Year : 1938-39	13,102		133,760	42,282
1946-47	21,567	19,408	196,978	48,859
1947-48	31,985	34,786	213,226	56,201
1948-49	50,995	33,237	180,023	45,754
1949-50	58,283	32,370	222,818	48,410
1949-50 : July-May	52,333	30,074	198,672	45,242
1950-51 : July-May	77,778	25,446	243,115	49,287
1950 : March	5,088	3,899	27,959	5,659
April	4,321	2,141	17,993	3,646
May	6,300	2,882	24,724	5,156
1951 : March	7,435	1,976	16,383	4,041
April	7,502	1,252	18,969	5,619
May	7,981	1,090	23,490	4,739

Period	Mattresses			Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
	Wire	Inner Spring	Other		
	Number				
Year : 1938-39	79,140	17,407	n.a.	20,960	85,501
1946-47	59,782	36,296	129,937	22,377	113,572
1947-48	59,491	52,582	181,078	24,611	111,101
1948-49	55,590	85,574	166,699	28,780	94,542
1949-50	69,650	107,057	190,543	32,353	93,763
1949-50 : July-May	64,643	98,862	175,061	27,870	82,920
1950-51 : July-May	60,928	142,494	159,736	33,116	98,377
1950 : March	7,724	11,321	18,741	2,977	9,327
April	4,702	9,703	15,039	2,747	9,170
May	8,275	11,018	18,624	3,211	9,116
1951 : March	6,582	16,337	16,365	2,167	9,177
April	7,173	16,887	13,294	3,132	8,665
May	7,593	18,379	15,181	3,555	9,608

Period	Soap				Cleansing and Scouring Powders
	Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap)	Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand)	
	Cwt.				
Year : 1938-39	107,390	384,103		56,301	28,502
1946-47	188,232	369,906		67,684	65,783
1947-48	228,973	511,658		99,387	61,050
1948-49	219,348	619,492		106,813	58,348
1949-50	227,888	620,561	42,302	102,380	47,468
1949-50 : July-May	202,519		686,104		n.a.
1950-51 : July-May	214,356	566,782	52,439	96,461	46,447
1950 : March	20,685		62,440		n.a.
April	17,398		57,751		n.a.
May	23,425		71,566		n.a.
1951 : March	22,539	55,443	4,381	5,751	5,748
April	24,917	58,572	5,633	6,488	3,939
May	22,295	65,027	5,098	7,778	4,893



## 27. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1950 : January	101	193	115	85	130	59	174	110	120	70	126	167	97
February	220	346	337	361	309	218	343	361	339	220	210	284	226
March	70	286	437	371	283	50	286	445	354	85	56	340	110
April	236	252	141	168	202	302	238	121	174	138	145	285	158
May	101	113	118	117	112	117	122	107	112	36	101	209	75
June	276	217	89	161	186	235	224	90	143	477	561	306	476
July	365	248	143	307	253	325	230	143	188	476	304	210	398
August	71	121	84	42	86	72	132	79	92	207	205	104	198
September	130	141	94	72	115	109	135	95	107	79	108	106	90
October	322	417	269	392	339	313	353	261	291	192	186	252	198
November	305	373	168	275	276	333	330	157	224	191	285	136	208
December	16	17	67	63	38	11	20	69	49	88	73	37	78
1951 : January	177	145	62	80	120	143	145	56	90	240	375	183	268
February	77	102	134	63	101	82	88	131	114	76	72	190	90
March	86	72	11	20	50	65	74	9	33	125	136	113	126
April	39	51	94	29	59	46	53	91	75	32	31	16	30
May	73	107	129	84	102	68	95	141	120	64	46	87	62
June	142	138	127	154	137	140	140	112	123	223	319	382	268

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

## WOOL

### 28. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1941-42	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50
Sheep ...	... mill.	48.9	56.7	44.1	43.1	46.1	53.3
Sheep shorn ...	... mill.	51.5	58.5	45.4	43.1	43.7	53.6
Wool produced*	mill. lb.	437.1	547.0	431.5	432.6	422.3	515.0

\* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

### 29. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales (Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season : 1946-47	922.8	158.2	42.7	1,123.7	34.5	4.6	0.3	39.4
1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1950-51	1,052.4	176.0	51.2	1,279.6	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8
1950 : March	37.4	10.0	0.5	47.9	32.0	4.9	4.7	41.6
April	33.0	6.1	0.5	39.6	58.5	10.6	5.2	74.3
May	82.0	10.2	1.0	93.2	54.3	7.6	...	61.9
June	52.5	1.4	0.1	54.0	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1951 : March	45.7	6.2	0.5	52.4	116.4	15.1	5.1	136.6
April	46.1	9.2	0.5	55.8	69.4	24.3	0.5	94.2
May	51.3	5.5	0.5	57.3	39.3	9.9	1.0	50.2
June	31.7	2.3	(—) 0.6	33.4	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8

(—) Denotes the difference between wool received and wool transferred for sale in other centres.

### 30. Wool : Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period	Wool Sold					Amount Realised			
	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
Thousand bales *					£ thousand				
Season : 1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1946-47	889.8	154.1	42.4	1,014.0	72.3	26,906	4,551	1,453	32,910
1947-48	882.2	148.6	47.0	994.8	83.0	42,881	7,556	2,535	52,972
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1949-50	1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714
1950-51	1,038.6	175.5	50.9	1,194.8	70.2	185,502	32,589	10,113	228,204
1950 : March	94.5	49.6	19.3	157.8	5.6	7,831	4,635	1,859	14,325
April	6.5	...	...	5.6	0.9	532	...	...	532
May	85.4	12.0	6.0	94.0	9.4	7,632	959	570	9,161
June	94.8	7.0	...	94.1	7.7	8,466	595	...	9,061
1951 : March	57.0	15.8	8.3	75.9	5.2	14,381	4,068	2,075	20,524
April	93.0	...	5.0	95.0	3.0	15,810	...	942	16,752
May	81.5	19.9	...	97.7	3.7	11,722	3,010	...	14,732
June	46.2	10.4	...	53.5	3.1	4,935	1,159	...	6,094

\* Scoured bales not converted to greasy basis.

### 31. Prices of Greasy Wool, Sydney and New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction		Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month		
	Sydney	New South Wales *		1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
	Pence per lb.			Pence per lb.		
1938-39	10.3	‡	December	53.0	60.5	129.0
1945-46†	15.1	‡	January	53.0	74.5	166.0
1946-47	23.3	23.6	February	54.5	71.0	177.5
1947-48	37.2	37.9	March	54.5 §	69.5	190.5
1948-49	46.1	46.8	April	44.0	73.5 §	145.0p
1949-50	60.7	61.8	May	44.5	81.0	129.0p
1950-51	142.8	145.3	June	45.0	78.5	95.0p

\* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Prior to 1939-45 War, nearly all New South Wales wool was sold in Sydney. § Nominal.

### 32. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
		Acres		Bushels	
	Number				
1935-36 to 1944-45*	15,875†	4,194,269	3,832,414	48,480,000	12.7
1945-46	n.a.	4,213,431	3,773,901	62,520,000	16.6
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1950-51p	n.y.a.	3,502,000	3,361,000	44,000,000	13.1

\* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

### 33. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period*	Australian Wheat Board		Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers‡	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat ; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
	Export Price†¶	Home Consumption Price‡¶		For Commercial Export
	s. d. per bushel			(Can.) Cents per bushel
Season : 1938-39	2 6.1	2 5.9	2 2.8	62.0
1946-47	14 1	3 11.3	10 3.8	244.0
1947-48	19 4.7	6 0.3	13 7.2	287.9
1948-49	15 8.2	6 8	9 2.0p	226.3
1949-50	18 5.8	6 8	10 8.1p	218.6
1950: September	13 6	6 8		199.0
October	18 6	6 8		195.7
November	18 6	6 8		194.2
December	18 6	7 5.5		196.4
1951: January	18 6	7 10		201.5
February	18 9.6	7 10		213.1
March	19 0	7 10		219.6
April	19 0	7 10		227.1
May	19 0	7 10		229.8
June	19 0	7 10		232.3

\* Yearly averages are for years ended July for Australian export and Canadian wheats, and for years ended November for Australian home consumption wheat. † Basic export selling price for non-contract wheat and wheat in excess of International Wheat Agreement quota; much wheat is sold under contract at fixed prices for delivery over lengthy periods. Current maximum and minimum prices under International Agreement are 16s. 1d. and 13s. 5d. per bushel. ‡ To millers, bulk basis, f.o.r. ports. § Allowing for cost of bags and including Governmental assistance to wheat growers. ¶ For Australian wheat the bases are—**Export** : 1938-39, weighted average shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide; 1946-47 to 1948-49, average for bulk and bagged wheat f.o.r. ports; 1949-50 and later, f.a.q. bulk wheat f.o.b.; **Home Consumption** : wholesale price in Sydney for f.a.q. wheat.

### 34. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period.	Season	July-April	December	January	February	March	April
	Thousand gallons.						
1934-35 to 1938-39*	331,963	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1939-40 to 1943-44*	300,682	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	254,094	216,963	25,007	24,516	26,173	28,421	22,606
1947-48	295,371	259,569	35,151	37,534	31,080	28,957	23,804
1948-49	291,915	255,254	29,714	30,507	29,437	31,143	25,560
1949-50	311,580	270,660	35,001	31,389	29,468	31,397	23,807
1950-51p	n.y.a.	267,842	35,670	35,992	30,002	27,039	21,145

\* Annual average.

### 35. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer†	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
	s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.	
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1950 : April	2 9.6	1 11.1
1945-46	1 7.8	1 5.9	1 8.3	May	2 9.6	1 11.1
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	June	2 9.6	1 11.1
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	1951 : April	3 0.4	1 11.1
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	May	3 0.4	1 11.1
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5	June	3 0.4	1 11.1
1950-51	3 0.4	1 11.1	2 7.5p			

\* United Kingdom contract price, f.o.b., Australia, except 1938-39, which is Sydney parity of average top price, London, weighted by monthly New South Wales exports. † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

## 36. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia			Gold Production
	Merchandise						
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	
	£A million f.o.b.						
Year: 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3	14.6
1946-47	93.0	116.5	23.5	208.3	308.9	100.6	9.9
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9	9.7
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0	10.0
1949-50	214.0	216.6	* 2.6	536.1	611.6	75.5	12.6
1950-51p	*	*	*	741.9	981.3	239.4	†
1950: March	23.1	27.2	4.1	53.7	66.6	12.9	1.0
April	15.7	16.2	0.5	43.9	49.9	6.0	1.0
May	25.8	27.3	1.5	61.6	77.5	15.9	1.1
June	19.8	14.2	(—) 5.6	48.2	47.5	(—) 0.7	1.5
1951: March	23.4	33.2	9.8	58.4	95.2	36.8	1.1
April	27.1	44.8	17.7	68.1	135.3	67.2	1.0
May	32.4	29.4	(—) 3.0	76.0	99.5	23.5	n.y.a.
June p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	75.8	79.8	4.0	n.y.a.

† July-May, 1950-51, Imports £269.6m., Exports £303.3m., Excess of Exports £33.7m. † July-April, 1950-51, £10.9m.  
(—) Denotes excess of imports.

## 37. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

Sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1939-40	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
	£ million						
September	19.4	23.7	29.0	32.0	39.1	41.0	57.6
October	19.2	22.4	26.6	30.9	37.5	44.8	59.2
November	17.5	39.1	24.7	32.7	39.4	40.1	46.1
December	18.3		27.8	34.2	35.1	51.4	62.6
January	16.3	17.6	21.7	25.2	32.2	39.4	53.7
February	14.6	21.7	26.3	30.3	39.6	49.2	51.4
March	17.0	22.3	24.2	33.2	35.7	42.3	63.4
July-March	154.5	189.1	234.6	278.4	333.6	380.0	498.0
Year ended June	204.3	264.8	320.3	382.5	452.8	537.8	

## 38. Retail Trade : Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number						Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.	
Year : 1946	301	302	+ 32.2	+ 3.8	+ 28.0	+ 20.0		
1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1950	302	303	+ 16.8	+ 5.6	+ 11.7	+ 0.7		
1949 : Dec.	24	25	+ 8.2	+ 3.8	+ 11.3	+ 0.4	+ 10.3	+ 10.5
1950 : Jan.	23	24	+ 7.6	+ 4.1	+ 5.7	— 3.0	+ 9.7	+ 9.4
Feb.	24	24	+ 12.6	+ 0.8	+ 5.6	— 2.3	+ 9.2	+ 7.7
Mar.	27	27	+ 8.0	+ 6.2	+ 6.2	— 3.2	+ 9.1	+ 5.8
Apr.	22	22	— 0.3	+ 8.3	+ 3.5	— 3.1	+ 6.2	+ 5.1
May	26	27	+ 14.7	+ 5.8	+ 8.9	— 2.4	+ 7.6	+ 6.2
1950 : Dec.	25	24	+ 14.0	+ 10.1	+ 20.5	+ 3.5	+ 16.2	+ 17.1
1951 : Jan.	24	25	+ 41.4	+ 7.8	+ 36.0	+ 5.1	+ 20.9	+ 23.0
Feb.	24	24	+ 28.5	+ 11.7	+ 31.8	+ 4.2	+ 25.5	+ 28.8
Mar.	27	24	+ 25.3	+ 11.3	+ 31.4	+ 3.1	+ 30.9	+ 33.0
Apr.	22	24	+ 47.7	+ 15.8	+ 29.6	+ 4.4	+ 33.6	+ 30.9
May	27	26	+ 22.8	+ 23.5	+ 38.2	+ 4.9	+ 31.0	+ 33.2

\* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 4.

**BANKING**

Of the 18 trading banks which conduct business in Australia, 14 operate in New South Wales, comprising 9 private trading banks, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W. and 3 overseas banks.

**39. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia**  
Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits*	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
NINE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1948 : June	716.8	27.5†	45.6	19.1	59.5	293.0	348.8
1949 : June*	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1950 : June	1,004.9	45.8	51.1	20.2	96.5	442.8	427.2
1950: April	1,018.0	40.5	53.7	28.8	94.5	457.0	414.9
May	1,001.6	53.9	47.9	24.4	96.5	466.2	414.1
1951: April	1,297.0	47.7	69.3	57.0	88.1	557.5	502.3
May	1,291.8	54.3	59.5	54.3	93.4	575.5	496.9
COMMONWEALTH BANK (OTHER THAN CENTRAL BANKING)							
1947 : June	59.4	0.3	6.4	2.1	35.7	...	28.9
1948 : June	61.8	0.3	7.0	0.8	33.6	...	37.9
1949 : June	69.9	11.0	5.9	...	34.4	...	57.7
1950 : June	87.8	15.9	4.9	6.5	29.8	...	95.7
1950: April	88.6	15.2	5.7	6.5	35.8	...	111.8
May	87.4	15.6	5.3	6.5	34.3	...	104.0
1951 : April	131.2	17.2	7.6	51.5	19.4	...	116.9
May	130.5	17.3	6.4	47.5	19.5	...	121.9
ALL (18) TRADING BANKS							
1947 : June	723.5	3.0	43.1	17.2	127.9	277.2	352.1
1948 : June	800.0	28.6	56.5	21.0	106.4	294.0	424.6
1949 : June*	914.8	61.0	49.1	12.2	111.5	382.8	482.9
1950 : June	1,131.9	62.0	59.4	27.9	139.0	447.8	574.2
1950: April	1,148.3	55.9	64.1	38.5	144.9	461.3	575.0
May	1,129.0	69.7	57.6	32.7	145.1	471.2	567.2
1951 : April	1,481.6	65.0	83.6	115.2	121.5	560.4	677.1
May	1,475.4	71.9	72.4	108.8	127.7	578.4	676.0

\* Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £9,000,000 in January and £2,600,000 in July, 1949).

† In nine trading banks, the increase after June, 1947, consists mainly of short-term loans from Central Bank.

**40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales**  
Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Nine Trading Banks				Commonwealth Bank*		All (14) Banks	
	Deposits†			Advances†	Deposits	Advances	Deposits†	Advances†
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
£ million								
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948 : June	197.5	67.9	265.4	142.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1949 : June†	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.5	27.0	358.5	208.6
1950 : June	311.8	82.2	394.0	166.2	49.2	37.5	470.7	242.0
1950: April	311.4	81.6	393.0	156.6	50.6	35.8	472.4	228.2
May	307.3	81.6	388.9	155.9	49.5	36.7	466.3	229.2
1951: April	412.1	82.3	494.4	191.4	62.8	44.7	592.2	278.6
May	407.6	82.8	490.4	190.3	63.3	46.3	588.6	278.7

\* Other than Central Banking. † Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £5.8 m. in January, and £0.7 m. in July, 1949).



#### 41. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
Year : 1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1945-46	1,911	191,112	3,801	156,874	236,242	5,467	663,554
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,564	5,728	691,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,052	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,219
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,208	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,067
1950 : February	2,131	16,269		15,108	251,755	6,045	739,234
March	2,112	19,749		18,871	252,633	6,030	741,830
April <sup>1</sup>	2,120	16,183		15,292	253,523	6,053	744,714
May	2,129	17,692		17,561	253,654	6,076	746,064
1951 : February	2,131	20,274		17,489	264,423	6,134	760,177
March	2,166	38,456		24,199	278,681	6,217	817,849
April	2,176	21,472		20,775	279,378	6,244	820,648
May	2,184	22,391		22,013	279,755	6,269	824,407

\* At end of period.

**Savings Certificates.**—The issue of savings certificates ceased on 31st January, 1949. The net amounts outstanding in New South Wales and Australia at various dates were :—

At 30th June	N.S.W.	Australia	End of Month	N.S.W.	Australia
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
1940	2,440	6,100	1950-March	22,974	56,731
1947	21,983	59,526	April	22,777	56,130
1948	25,719	64,483			
1949	25,081	62,198	1951-March	19,857	49,736
1950	22,341	55,025	April	19,600	49,194

#### 42. Inter-Bank Clearings, Sydney

Value of cheques drawn on a bank other than the bank in which they were deposited

Period	Amount of Clearings—£ million					Index Number of Clearings				
	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
July	70.5	183.4	230.3	244.7	302.7	101	229	291	326	402
August	72.9	162.4	199.3	208.5	283.7	101	227	287	314	398
September	77.6	176.9	229.7	271.1	354.6	99	232	293	303	393
October	79.5	197.3	238.2	259.2	368.5	101	234	291	302	413
November	82.7	203.8	237.3	291.6	378.3	102	243	298	328	442
December	88.1	192.2	246.5	304.9	412.3	102	243	296	350	474
January	66.5	171.3	191.4	247.6	361.6	98	236	282	352	481
February	75.5	182.0	213.2	282.1	391.1	96	231	274	351	493
March	80.5	196.4	238.0	358.0	460.2	93	230	267	367	508
April	70.7	205.9	244.7	272.9	407.9	98	253	300	391	546
May	82.0	233.1	261.2	324.2	438.5	100	269	315	402	555
June	80.3	230.1	269.8	332.3	479.8	101	289	336	402	575
Year	926.8	2,334.8	2,799.6	3,397.1	4,639.2	99	248	298	356	473

The index may be regarded as an approximate measure of changes in the volume of business transactions settled by cheques provided it is considered in conjunction with changes in price levels. It represents the ratio of each month's clearings to the average for the month concerned during the five years 1926-1930. This average is represented by 100 each month. Seasonal fluctuations have thus been eliminated. Casual fluctuations in monthly index numbers have been smoothed out by taking a three months' moving average, that is, the index shown above for each month is the average of the actual index of that month and the preceding two months. It may be compared vertically or horizontally.

## 43. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡			Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis-count)
	Urban	Rural	Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	Fixed Deposits		Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000	
					3 months	24 months				
Per cent. per annum										
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	5.75§	2.00	1.75¶	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1947-48	4.4	4.3	2.34	3.17	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950: May	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
June	4.4	4.3	1.94	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
July	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
August	4.4	4.3	2.00	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
September	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
October	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
November	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
December	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.17	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1951: January	4.4	4.3	1.98	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
February	4.4	4.3	2.00	3.21	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
March	4.4	4.4	2.02	3.27	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
April	4.4	4.4	2.00	3.29	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
May	4.4	4.3	2.00	3.24	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75

\* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. ‡ Estimated by Commonwealth Bank from securities maturing under 5 years (short) and 10 or more years (long). 1938-39 subject to Commonwealth Income Tax rates not exceeding those in 1930, later years to current tax rates. § Rate current at end of period. ¶ Applies to certain banks; later rates are maximum permitted by regulation. || 1½ to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942. || From December, 1945, rate on first £10,000 of deposits 1.50 per cent., on excess 1 per cent.

## 44. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Distributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral and Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1948 : Sept.	359.6	316.0	173.1	184.5	414.6	264.2	276.1
1949 : Mar.	345.1	288.3	165.2	180.6	464.1	254.6	262.2
June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
Sept.	340.1	289.1	157.8	183.7	473.6	252.1	259.0
Dec.	365.6	295.3	158.1	193.1	497.3	265.9	273.7
1950 : Mar.	389.4	315.2	159.0	202.6	545.4	285.4	285.6
June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
Sept.	419.1	330.4	157.2	254.3	601.6	306.4	310.4
Dec.	468.3	356.8	164.6	279.3	683.6	334.9	334.3
1951 : Feb.	486.1	380.6	167.7	309.9	696.5	349.3	346.4
Mar.	492.4	385.2	168.7	305.2	698.6	350.3	343.3
Apr.	509.0	393.1	172.0	309.6	707.6	356.1	352.0
May	527.5	397.7	177.2	307.8	734.2	365.7	360.4
June	529.8	397.6	167.3	301.6	757.1	366.6	357.0

\* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

### 45. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Lien†	Livestock Mortgages
	Number	£ thousand				
Year : 1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1947-48	79,694	60,202	30,924	460	2,100	2,011
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1950-51	108,732	192,311	70,600	309	4,828	3,482
1950 : March	9,091	12,896	4,644	28	245	159
April	7,888	11,211	3,558	39	222	175
May	11,958	17,212	9,802	23	449	341
June	10,940	15,129	4,679	35	342	308
1951 : March	8,586	14,979	5,605	16	381	259
April	9,484	14,735	5,901	25	518	380
May	10,133	21,697	5,619	15	586	465
June	9,238	18,944	6,003	22	564	359

\* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated ; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

### 46. Life Assurance, New South Wales.

(a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)\*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year† : 1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1945	53,927	23,999	109,862	7,513	31,512
1947	98,149	43,268	115,181	10,241	53,509
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949‡	92,446	49,662	114,916	11,430	61,092
1950‡	95,446	59,496	106,559	11,139	70,635
1950 : January	4,432	2,456	4,287	445	2,901
February	5,638	3,015	8,948	918	3,933
March	8,262	4,692	10,731	1,131	5,823
April	6,925	4,147	7,025	734	4,881
1951 : January	5,291	3,268	3,423	379	3,647
February	5,833	4,073	7,893	876	4,949
March	7,597	5,364	8,164	914	6,278
April	7,760	5,608	8,788	991	6,599

\* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified). ‡ Total of monthly figures, January to December.

(b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales\* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate.	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year : 1947	2,799	789	1,452	5,040
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1950 : January	564	59	271	894
February	798	79	269	1,146
March	1,104	93	303	1,500
April	721	80	318	1,119
1951 : January	1,441	75	212	1,728
February	1,528	101	396	2,025
March	2,027	89	421	2,537
April	1,370	89	462	1,921

\* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

## 47. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	Year.		Item	Year.	
	1949-50	1950-51		1949-50	1950-51
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
Taxes—			Social Services*—		
Customs ... ..	77,726	91,936	Invalid, Age Pensions ... ..	44,557	49,520
Excise ... ..	66,157	73,068	Child Endowment... ..	30,337	43,585
Sales ... ..	42,424	57,170	Hospital Benefits ... ..	6,320	6,540
Income Tax ... ..	179,094	267,999	Other ... ..	11,590	15,337
Social Services Contribution ... ..	100,560	73,958	Total, Social Services*	92,804	114,982
Wool Deduction ... ..	...	109,531	To States—		
Payroll ... ..	22,728	28,721	Tax Reimbursements ... ..	62,271	70,107
Estate ... ..	6,054	6,401	Other ... ..	38,861	57,925
Entertainments ... ..	4,698	5,148	Capital Works ... ..	73,698	73,395
Other ... ..	4,946	4,635	Post Office‡ ... ..	47,512	54,798
Total Taxes ... ..	504,387	718,567	Broadcasting‡ ... ..	2,872	3,592
Post Office ... ..	38,349	44,777	Railways‡ ... ..	2,792	3,381
Broadcasting ... ..	1,934	1,971	Territories‡ ... ..	7,293	8,261
Railways ... ..	1,804	2,164	Defence Services ... ..	41,746	148,401
Territories ... ..	926	1,030	War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45† ... ..	84,475	99,782
Other ... ..	19,179	15,085	Subsidies ... ..	...	40,452
	566,579	783,594	Interest and Sinking Fund ... ..	61,323	61,555
Primary Production† ... ..	14,073	58,197	Other ... ..	45,931	58,038
			Primary Production† ... ..	14,073	58,197
Total Revenue ... ..	580,652	841,791	Total Expenditure ... ..	575,651	852,866

\* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Self-balancing items.

‡ Excluding debt charges.

**Expenditure from Loan Fund** (other than War and Repatriation which is included above) consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £21,640,000 in 1950-51, and £17,215,000 in 1949-50.

## 48. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE				EXPENDITURE			
Item		Year.		Item		Year.	
		1949-50	1950-51			1949-50	1950-51
		£ thousand				£ thousand	
From Commonwealth—				Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ...	17,755	18,437	
Towards Interest ... ..	2,917	2,917		Less—Recoups from other Activities ... ..	1,983	2,050	
Reimbursement of Taxes...	25,490	36,816		Net Debt Charges ... ..	15,772	16,387	
Stamp and Probate Duty ... ..	9,218	11,494		Other than Debt Charges—			
Other Taxes ... ..	2,542	2,834		Governmental ... ..	45,012	53,268	
Land ... ..	2,858	2,956		Business Undertakings ... ..	49,115	60,657	
Services ... ..	2,900	3,234					
Other ... ..	8,400	8,392					
Total Governmental ... ..	54,325	68,643					
Business Undertakings ... ..	54,337*	61,705					
Total Revenue ... ..	108,662	130,348		Total Expenditure ... ..	109,899	130,312	

\* Includes Commonwealth grant of £3,200,000 towards losses caused by general coal strike.

**Loan Expenditure** on works and services was gross £41,167,000 and net (i.e., gross less repayments to loan account) £38,149,000 in 1950-51, compared with gross £27,219,000 and net £24,850,000 in 1949-50.

### 49. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities constituting at present about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
§ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
§ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1947-48	287	420	193	372	146	296	283
1948-49	365	413	233	478	171	348	332
1949-50	473	400	250	421	196	399	383
1950-51	999p	n.y.a.	271	689	209	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
1950 : June	592	435	250	494	200	471	450
Sept.	890	419	271	675	205r	631	599
Dec.	973	437	271	700	208r	678r	643
1951 : March	1,437	428	271	739	208r	912r	860
April	1,094p	443rp	271	774	208r	747rp	708rp
May	973p	447p	271	771	219	689p	654p
June	717p	n.y.a.	271	751	219	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

\* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, spelter, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) Including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold. ¶ Nominal.

### 50. Wholesale Price Index : Basic Materials and Foodstuffs

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal, and one or two minor commodities, the index may be deemed to represent movements of wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

The index numbers in this table are calculated using the effective price of raw wool for local manufacture, which, since August, 1950, has been the open market (auction room) price less bounty. In previous issues the indexes were calculated using the open market price of wool without deduction of bounty.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Group
Year : 1938-39	103	82	97	99	103	99	102	101
1945-46	130	152	177	149	135	178	126	141
1947-48	146	283	190	166	153	192	145	159
1948-49	185	342	198	188	175	201	173	181
1949-50	214	434	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950 : July	222	530	245	234	214	236	218	223
Aug.	224	558	245	237	220	240	222	227
Sept.	227	543	245	239	220	242	222	228
Oct.	238	544	246	245	221	247	225	232
Nov.	246	588	254	253	225	250	232	237
Dec.	256	596	255	258	220	255	230	237
1951 : Jan.	258	772	262	271	220	256	238	243
Feb.	266	836	279	283	228	264	248	253
March	280	907	280	294	245	269	267	268
April	280	703	295	286	240	268	258	261

\* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

Note.—The four groups of index numbers affected by the price of wool are shown below as calculated on the basis of the open market (auction room) price of raw wool.

Month	Textiles	Total Basic Materials	Goods Principally Home Produced	Total, All Groups	Month	Textiles	Total Basic Materials	Goods Principally Home Produced	Total, All Groups
1950 : July	530	234	218	213	1951 : Jan.	996	283	246	249
Aug.	737	247	229	232	Feb.	1060	296	257	259
Sept.	752	250	230	234	Mar.	1130	307	276	273
Oct.	753	257	233	237	Apr.	927	299	267	267
Nov.	797	265	240	243					
Dec.	805	270	238	243					



## 51. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100.

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom		Canada	United States	France
	Common-wealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Economist	Dominion Statistician	Bureau of Labor Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	101	102	100	96	93	95	95	112
1945-46	141	157	159	167	161	132	133	534
1947-48	159	173	174	203	205	176	197	1451
1948-49	181	180	186	218	218	195	199	2032
1949-50	205	184	195	237	235	196	188	2196
1948 : June	167	182	183	217	217	189	204	1843
Dec.	183	178	183	216	220	199	200	2148
1949 : June	186	179	191	227	221	194	190	1975
Dec.	204	182	194	236	234	194	186	2182
1950 : June	223	199	205	251	251	205	193	103†
Aug.	227*	200	206	258	258	212	204	107†
Sept.	228*	201	208	266	268	218	208	112†
Oct.	232*	202	208	273	274	216	208	113†
Nov.	237*	202	211	282	279	218	211	117†
Dec.	237*	203	214	286	282	221	215	120†
1951 : Jan.	243*	n.y.a.	216	293	290	228	221	123†
Feb.	253*	n.y.a.	218	299	295	234	226	130†
March	268*	n.y.a.	221	306	298	n.y.a.	226	134†

\* See Table 50.

† New Series. Base : 1949=100.

## 52. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and "All Items")

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "All Items"	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939 : September	930	1039	941	939	933	...
1943 : June*	1065	1042	1479	1162	1165	25
1945 : June	1040	1043	1410	1163	1141	22
1947 : June	1096	1044	1540	1187	1194	28
1948 : June	1235	1046	1748	1267	1305	40
1949 : June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	53
1950 : June	1518	1049	2307	1446	1564	68
September	1599	1050	2373	1473	1613	73
December	1713	1050	2447	1527	1680	80
1951 : March	1826	1051	2541	1565	1749	88
June	1943	1051	2819	1689	1875	101

(b) Districts of New South Wales ("All Items")

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns†
1939 : September	933	897	943	914	881	930
1943 : June*	1165	1126	1185	1140	1107	1162
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1948 : June	1305	1263	1364	1271	1263	1302
1949 : June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
1950 : June	1564	1519	1646	1555	1522	1562
September	1613	1552	1717	1597	1570	1610
December	1680	1628	1790	1664	1641	1678
1951 : March	1749	1724	1834	1739	1707	1748
June	1875	1853	1939	1858	1825	1874

\* War-time peak. † Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

### 53. Basic Wage : Industrial Awards, New South Wales—Adult Males.

Year.	Sydney.				State Crown Employees— All Districts, N.S.W.			
	February.	May.	August.	November.	February.	May.	August.	November.
	Shillings per Week.							
1939*	81	82	81	82	80	80	80	80
1940	82	83	85	85	81	81	83	84
1941	88	88	89	89	86	87	87	88
1942	91	93	95	97	90	92	94	96
1943	98	98	100	99	97	97	99	98
1944	99	99	99	99	97	97	97	98
1945	99	98	98	99	97	97	97	97
1946	99	99	100	{ 101 108† }	98	98	99	{ 99 106† }
1947	108	110	110	112	107	108	109	111
1948	114	116	120	122	113	115	118	121
1949	124	127	130	132	123	126	129	131
1950	135	138	142	{ 146 165† }	134	137	141	{ 145 165† }
1951	173	180	193		173	180	193	

\* In 1939 quarterly variations commenced in March, June, September and December.

† As a result of judgments of Commonwealth Arbitration Court, special increases were awarded, viz.: 7s. in December, 1946, and 19s. (State Crown Employees, 20s.) in December, 1950.

**Female Wages.**—The minimum wage per week payable to adult females (Sydney) was 123s. 6d. from Dec., 1950, 129s. 6d. from Feb., 1951, 135s. from May and 144s. 6d. from Aug., 1951.

### 54. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number			
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†	Adult Males	Adult Females
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1946 : Dec.	130.9	80.3	2554	2956	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3103	41.1	41.8
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3403	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949 : Mar.	161.6	101.2	3154	3724	40.0	40.0
June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950 : Mar.	174.8	109.4	3410	4028	40.0	40.0
June	179.3	114.3	3499	4207	40.0	40.0
Sept.	184.5	115.9	3600	4265	40.0	40.0
Dec.	209.5	139.9	4088	5151	40.0	40.0
1951 : Mar.	216.7	144.2	4228	5308	40.0	40.0

\* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.

Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

† Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

‡ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.

§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948.

### 55. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Australia on—	Quotation	1938-39	1946	1949	1950	1951
		Average	June	June	June	June
London ...	£A to £stg.100	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25
New Zealand ...	£A to £N.Z.100	100.33	100.25	124.27	124.27	124.27
South Africa ...	£A. to £S.A.100	124.70	124.88	124.88	124.88	124.88
Montreal ...	Can. \$ to £A.1	3.79	3.54	3.22	2.46	2.39
New York ...	U.S. \$ to £A.1	3.78	3.22	3.22	2.24	2.24
France ...	francs to £A.1	141.75	383.24	875.85	782.44	782.44
Belgium ...	francs to £A.1	111.58	141.02	141.02	111.78	111.78
India ...	rupees to £A.1	10.69	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.64